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**From:** William Sulzer  
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**Subject:** Comments on the September 6 Statement from NOAA

Dr. Jacobs and Dr. Uccellini, I am writing to express my disappointment in the unsigned statement issued by NOAA on September 6, 2019, linked below.

<https://www.noaa.gov/news/statement-from-noaa>

Dr. Jacobs, this statement shows that the NOAA has prioritized the delicate ego of someone without any meteorological knowledge over the integrity the agency's hard work. You have compromised the agency's integrity specifically by allowing an unqualified individual to unscientifically modify and disseminate out of date forecast information and present it to the American people without protest, then disavowing the correction of that forecast by an NWS office. This is in complete opposition of the first two pillars of the NOAA's mission: Science and Service. You should be ashamed that you have allowed your agency to compromise these aspects of its mission.

Dr. Uccellini, I am further disappointed by the lack of action by the NWS to defend your Birmingham office, who looks to you support. I hope that you find the courage to stand up for what is right, both morally and scientifically -- you have a responsibility to do so.

I expect politics an egos to play their part in the running of our country, but it has no place in scientific processes. Dr. Jacobs and Dr. Uccellini, I realize you are both busy men, but if you only do one thing, watch this video posted by Mr. Trump on Twitter. This is what you are sacrificing your integrity for.

<https://twitter.com/realDonaldTrump/status/1170089069105340416?s=09>

I have also provided a link to the NOAA's mission for your reference. I hope you are inspired by it.

<https://www.noaa.gov/about-our-agency>

Thank you for your time.

- William Sulzer  
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